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Santa Fe, New Mexico, Civic Center Design Competition: Statements of Qualifications are due on February 23- City of Santa Fe

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Selling out to the star gazers: Is an architect's star status the result of their unmatched ability as a designer, or is it developed and maintained as a marketing tool? ...the issue of image over substance...- BD/Building Design (UK)

Issaquah Highlands embraces stylish nostalgia: ...master developer subscribes to the New Urbanist gospel of density. So what's wrong...? In a word, it's cute...time to rethink the house, not recycle antique thinking. - Mithun Architects+Designers+ Planners- Seattle Post-Intelligencer

The fate of a fountain: State will decide what's next for Capitol Campus creation that's been out of commission for years: Lawrence Halprin's "Water Garden" is waterless...-EDAW-The Olympian (Washington)

<u>Supporters of architect's work hope his vision is saved - Lawrence Halprin</u>-The Olympian (Washington)

The remarkable Mark Fisher and his \$180m Las Vegas theatre for Cirque du Soleil. By Hugh Pearman [images]- HughPearman.com (UK)

Temple adds to architectural landscape: The new Sikh temple (called a gurdwara) in San Jose... proves the powerful influence of memory and tradition shaping local architecture. By Alan Hess - Malkiat Singh Sidhu- Mercury News (California)

Another setback for famous architect whose buildings tend not to get off ground: Maxxi, the Italian acronym for Rome's new museum of 21st century art...is about to run out of money. - Zaha Hadid- Independent (UK)

Architect Chosen to Create New Gallery Space at Tate St Ives: - Jamie Fobert Architects-24 Hour Museum

<u>Puck Steakhouse to Dance into Regent Beverly Wilshire Space - Richard Meier & Partners</u>- Los Angeles Business Journal

Selling Old Churches for Worldly Use: The conversion of churches for living spaces will soon become exponentially more common in the metropolitan Boston area, as the archdiocese prepares to sell about 64 of its 357 churches.- New York Times

Remaking the Hummingbird Centre: Daniel Libeskind...vision for the Hummingbird takes flight in this conversation with architecture critic Christopher Hume.- Toronto Star

Maverick architect gets high marks for his `wacky' treehouse hideaway - Terunobu Eujimori- Asahi Shimbun (Japan)

Washington University [St. Louis] creates Sam Fox School of Design and Visual Arts: Jerome J. Sincoff, former HOK president, to become dean of Architecture - Fumihiko Maki- Washington University in St. Louis

Artful Elegance: University of Oklahoma Mary and Howard Lester Wing/Fred Jones Jr. Museum of Art by Hugh Newell Jacobsen, FAIA, opens tomorrow [images]-ArchNewsNow

Castle Keep: Boston Smith & Wollensky: Elegance and Americana make a perfect recipe for a classic steakhouse. - Haverson Architecture and Design [images]- ArchNewsNow

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